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DOMINION ENERGY KEWAUNEE, INC. KEWAUNEE POWER STATION CYCLE 29 STARTUP REPORT

In accordance with Technical Specification 6.9.a.1, Startup Report, attached is the Kewaunee Power Station Cycle 29 Startup Report. Rod drop times were inadvertently omitted from the Startup Report and are provided separately as attachment 2 to this letter.

If you have questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact Mr. J. F. Helfenberger at 920-388-8294.

Very truly yours,

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Attachments

1. Cycle 29 Startup Report

2. Cycle 29 Startup Report, Rod Drop Times

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CYCLE 29 STARTUP REPORT

KEWAUNEE POWER STATION DOMINION ENERGY KEWAUNEE, INC.

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1.0 <u>SUMMARY</u>

Low Power Physics Testing and Power Ascension Testing for Kewaunee Cycle 29 identified no unusual core response or reactivity anomalies. All measured core parameters were determined to be within their acceptance criteria. All Technical Specification surveillance requirements were met.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

The Kewaunee Cycle 29 fuel reload was completed on April 27, 2008. The attached core map (Figure 1) shows the final core configuration. Cycle 29 uses a low leakage loading pattern consisting of 45 new Region 31 fuel assemblies, 44 Region 30 onceburned fuel assemblies, and 32 Region 29 twice-burned fuel assemblies.

Subsequent operational and testing milestones were completed as follows:

Initial Criticality	May 08, 2008
Low Power Physics Testing completed	May 09, 2008
Main Turbine Online	May 09, 2008
30% Power Testing completed on	May 10, 2008
50% Power Testing completed on	May 11, 2008
100% Power Testing completed on	May 16, 2008

3.0 FUEL DESIGN

All fuel assemblies in Cycle 29 are of the Westinghouse $14x14 422V_{+}$ assembly design. There are 45 fresh Region 31 assemblies with 20 of the assemblies (Region 31A) being enriched to 4.00 weight percent Uranium-235 (w/o U²³⁵) and contain various loadings of 1.25x IFBA rods. The remaining 25 assemblies (Region 31B) are enriched to 4.40 weight percent Uranium-235 (w/o U²³⁵) with 9 of the assemblies containing various loadings of 1.25x IFBA rods. All assemblies in the core contain six inches of axial blankets at the top and bottom enriched to 2.60 w/o U²³⁵. The axial blankets are annular pellets with the exception that solid pellets are used in all fuel rods containing gad.

4.0 LOW POWER PHYSICS TESTING

The low power physics testing program for Cycle 29 (Reference 6.1) was completed using the FTI Reactivity Measurement and Analysis System (RMAS). Note that RMAS v.6 was used for KEW29 Startup Physics Testing. This program consisted of the following: Critical Boron Endpoint measurements for All Rods Out (ARO), Moderator/Isothermal Temperature Coefficient measurements, and Control and

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Shutdown Bank Worth measurements. Low power physics testing was performed at a power level below the point of nuclear heat to avoid nuclear heating reactivity feedback effects.

4.1 Critical Boron Concentration

The critical boron concentration was measured for the All Rods Out configuration. The measured values include corrections to account for differences between the measured critical rod configuration and the ARO configuration. The acceptance criteria of \pm 50 ppm was met for the ARO configuration.

Critical Boron Endpoint Results

	Measured	Predicted	M-P	Acceptance Criteria
	(ppm)	(ppm)	(ppm)	(ppm)
All Rods Out (ARO)	2393	2396	-3	<u>+</u> 50

4.2 Moderator Temperature Coefficient

Isothermal Temperature Coefficient (ITC) data was measured near All Rods Out conditions. Controlled heat-ups and cool-downs were performed and the reactivity change was measured. These measurements were then averaged to determine the measured ITC. They were then compared to the design predictions, which were adjusted to measured conditions. The review criteria of ± 3 pcm/°F of the predictions were met.

The Moderator Temperature Coefficient (MTC) of 1.699 pcm/°F was determined by subtracting the design Doppler Temperature Coefficient (-1.721 pcm/°F) from the measured Isothermal Temperature Coefficient of -0.022 pcm/°F. The Technical Specification Limit of MTC < +5.0 pcm/°F at ARO Hot Zero Power (HZP) was met.

	Measured (pcm/°F)	Predicted (pcm/°F)	M-P (pcm/°F)	Acceptance Criteria (pcm/°F)
ARO ITC	-0.022	-0.280	0.258	N/A
ARO MTC	1.699	1.442	NA	MTC < +5.0

Isothermal/Moderator Temperature Coefficient Results

4.3 Control Rod Reactivity Worth Measurements

The integral reactivity worths of all RCCA Control and Shutdown Banks were measured using the rod swap technique (Reference 6.2). The initial step of the rod swap method diluted the predicted most reactive control rod bank (hereafter referred to as the reference bank) into the core and measured its reactivity worth using conventional test techniques. The reactivity changes resulting from the reference bank movements were

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recorded continuously by the reactivity computer and were used to determine the differential and integral worth of the reference bank. For Cycle 29, Control Bank C was used as the reference bank.

The acceptance criteria are as follows: The measured worth of the Reference Bank be within $\pm 10\%$ of the predicted worth; the worth of a test bank be within $\pm 15\%$ of the predicted worth for banks > 600 pcm: the worth of a test bank be within 100 pcm of the predicted worth for banks ≤ 600 pcm; the sum of the measured worths of all banks is within $\pm 10\%$ of the sum of the predicted worths.

BANK	MEASURED WORTH (PCM)	PREDICTED WORTH (PCM)	M-P (pcm)	PERCENT DIFFERENCE (%) (M-P)/P X 100
А	801	816	-15	-1.8
В	636	599	37	6.2
С	880	864	16	1.9
D	786	790	-4	-0.5
SA	651	635	16	2.5
SB	653	635	18	2.8
Total	4407	4339	. 68	1.6

Control Bank Integral Worth Results

The measured results of the individual bank worths and the total control bank worth showed excellent agreement with the predicted values. All individual and total worth acceptance criteria were met.

5.0 POWER ASCENSION TESTING

5.1 Power Distribution, Power Peaking and Tilt Measurements

The core power distribution was measured through the performance of a series of flux maps during the power ascension in accordance with Reference 6.3. The results from the flux maps were used to verify compliance with the power distribution Technical Specifications.

A summary of the Measured Axial Flux Difference (AFD) and INCORE Tilt for the flux maps performed during the power ascension is provided below. Additional tables provide comparisons of the most limiting measured Heat Flux Hot Channel Factor (F_{Q}) and Nuclear Enthalpy Rise Hot Channel Factor ($F_{\Delta}h$), including uncertainties, to their respective limits from each of the flux maps performed during the power ascension. The most limiting F_{Q} is based on margin to the limit which varies as a function of core height.

As can be seen from the data presented, all Technical Specification limits were met and no abnormalities in core power distribution were observed during power ascension.

Power (%RTP)	Burnup (MWD/MTU)	Rod Position (steps)	Axial Offset (%)	INCORE Tilt	
27.1	3.5	151	0.748	1.019	
49.6	17.3	187	5.792	1.011	
99.6	193	225	2.549	1.003	

Measured Axial Flux Difference and INCORE Tilt

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Comparison of Measured F_{q} to F_{q}^{RTP} limit

Power (%RTP)	Burnup (MWD/MTU)	Measured F_{Q}	Fo ^{RTP} steady state limit	Margin to Limit
27.1	3.5	2.379	5.000	52.42 %
49.6	17.3	2.194	5.000	56.12 %
99.6	193	2.020	2.510	19.53 %

Comparison of Measured $F_{\Delta}h$ to $F_{\Delta}h$ limit

Power (%RTP)	Burnup (MWD/MTU)	Measured F ₄h	F ⊿h limit	Margin to Limit
27.1	3.5	1.599	2.072 ر	22.82 %
49.6	17.3	1.553	1.957	20.66 %
99.6	193	1.505	1.702	11.57 %

Presented in Figures 2, 3 and 4 are measured Power Distribution Maps showing percent difference from the predicted power for the 30%, 50%, and 100% power plateaus. From this data it can be seen that there is good agreement between the measured and predicted assembly powers.

5.2 Reactor Coolant System Flow Measurement

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The Reactor Coolant Flow rate was determined in accordance with Reference 6.3 using a secondary calorimetric heat balance for each loop using the steam generators as the control volumes. Steam generator blowdown was not isolated during the data acquisition period. The measured reactor coolant flow met the Technical Specification Limit of > 178,000 gpm and the more limiting COLR value of > 186,000 gpm.

Reactor Coolant System Flow Results

Measured Flow (gpm)	Flow Limit (gpm)	Acceptance Criteria (ppm)
194321	186000	> 186000

6.0 <u>REFERENCES</u>

- 6.1 NF-KW-RET-002, "Low Power Physics Test"
- 6.2 Westinghouse Electric Corporation, "Rod Exchange Technique for Rod Worth Measurement" and "Rod Worth Verification Tests Utilizing RCC Bank Interchange."
- 6.3 NF-KW-RET-008 "Power Escalation Tests"

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FIGURE 1 CORE LOADING PATTERN KEWAUNEE - CYCLE 29

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				G63	G77	J73	J51	J76	G75	G51				В
			29A	31B	31B	31A	30	31A	31B	31B	29A			~
			G83	J78	J88	J57	H81	J60	J90	J84	G81			U
		29A	31B	31A	30	30	30	30	30	31A	31B	29A		п
		G60	J85	J62	H71	H83	H75	H85	H72	J68	J72	G61		U
		29A	31B	30	30	30	31A	30	30	30	31B	29A		F
		G80	J91	H68	H94	H53	J69	H57	H84	H70	J92	G79		
	29 B	31B	31A	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	31A	31B	29B	F
	G89	J86	J56	H80	H64	H66	H65	H59	H54	H93	J70	J74	G94	I
1900	29A	31A	30	30	31A	30	31B	30	31A	30	30	31A	29A	G
100	G66	J52	H89	H76	J58	H51	J95	H56	J65	H77	H82	J53	G62	ŭ
	298	31B	31A	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	31A	31B	29B	н
	G90	J81	J66	H88	H61	H52	H60	H62	H55	H87	J63	J82	G88	
		29A	31B	30	30	30	31A	30	30	30	31B	29A		1
		G72	J93	H74	H79	H58	J64	H63	H90	H69	J87	G85		•
		29A	31B	31A	30	30	30	30	30	31A	31B	29A		
		G54	J79	J59	H73	H86	H78	H92	H67	J61	J80	G65		U
			29A	31B	31B	31A	30	31A	318	31B	29A			к
			G74	J75	J94	J55	H91	J67	J89	J77	G73			
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				G56	G84	J71	J54	J83	G78	G53				
						29B	29A	29B						м
						G92	G52	G91						

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Region Identifier Fuel Assembly Identifier

REGION	ASSEMBLIES	ENRICHMENT
29A	24	4.60
298	8	4.94
30	44	4.95
31A	20	4.00
31B	25	4.40

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			-0.1	2.5	2.7	0.8	0.9	0.6	1.3				0	
		6.440	1.130	1.314	1.230	1.193	1.219	1.302	1.124	6.438			С	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	6.0	2.1	3.4	2.6	2.0	1.9	2.4	1.5	<u>_0.3</u>		1	Ŭ	
	0.312	1.110	1.249	1.363	1.378	1.305	1.366	1.339	1.238	1.111	0.311		р	
	-0.1	0.2	2.1	3.8	2.9	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.1	0.4	-0.4		-	
	0.529	1.274	1.362	1.402	1.290	1.278	1.287	1.370	1.322	1.276	0.527		F	
	0.2	0.2	3.4	3.5	2.8	2.0	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.4	-0.1		-	
0.294	1.069	1.203	1.360	1.296	1.260	1.235	1.233	1.260	1323	1.189	1.043	0.288	F	
0.9	1.1	0.6	1.3	1.8	2.7	2.2	0.5	0.5	-1.2	-0.8	-1.6	-1.2	•	
0.329	1.069	1.180	1.291	1.268	1.234	1.294	1.206	1.237	1.243	1.149	1.056	0.329	l c	
-1.1	-0.4	0.8	0.9	1.3	2.1	0.6	-0.2	1.2	-2.8	1.8	-1.6	1.2	-	
0.288	1.054	1.205	1.335	1.253	1.227	1.207	1.218	1.244	1.310	1.164	1.036	0.284	н	
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	0.521	1.270	1.307	1.340	1.262	1.233	1.236	1.317	1.284	1.239	0.517		ł	
	-1.3	-0.1	-0.5	1.0	-0.7	1.4	-1.5	-2.8	-2.5	2.5	-2.1	· ·	•	
	0.310	1.114	1.225	1.320	1.334	1.260	1.318	1.279	1.215	1.086	6.305		Л	
	-0.6	0.6	0.1	0.3	-0.6	-1.5	-1.8	-2.6	-0.7	-2.0	-2.4		Ŭ	
		0.437	1.103	1.265	1.218	1.138	1.174	1.244	1.087	0.424			к	
		-0.6	0.4	-0.5	1.8	-2.7	-2.1	-2.1	-1.8	-3.6				
			6.309	0.524	1.015	1.032	1.032	0.518	0.306				I	
			0.9	-0.7	-4.0	-3.7	-2.6	1.8	-2.0					
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FIGURE 2

Measured Power Percent Difference (M-P)/P

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FIGURE 3													
INCORE Power Distribution - 49.6%													
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		6 433	1,109	1.295	1,236	1.263	1.225	1 283	1.112	0.440			~
		-0.5	0.6	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.0	0.9	0.7	$\left(1.1\right)$	•		C
	0.311	1.110	1.223	1 323	1.354	1.302	1.349	1.308	1.219	1.106	0.312		~
	0.6	0.6	0.6	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.3	1.1		D
	0.536	1.293	1.315	1.352	1.251	1.251	1.257	1.328	1.291	1.279	0.537		-
	$\left(1.7\right)$	1.7	1.0	1.3	1.2	0.9	0.3	-0.5	-0.6	0.6	1.9		E
0.300	1.098	1.228	1.337	1.258	1.215	1.192	1.203	1.230	1.321	1.214	1.088	0.301	-
2.2	2.2	1.3	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.4	-0.5	-0.9	-0.2	1.1	2.5	F
0.343	1.118	1.254	1.284	1.238	1.186	1.259	1.181	1.225	1.259	1.228	1.111	0.345	~
1.8	1.5	1.0	6.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.7	-0.6	-1.3	-1.8	4.1.1	1.0	2.5	G
0.299	1.092	1.226	1.328	1.226	1.197	1.179	1.198	1.233	1.311	1.184	1.072	0.303	ы
1.8	1.4	0.8	-0.4	-0.8	-0.9	-0.8	0.8	-1.6	1.9	-2.3	-0.2	3.0	п
	0.530	1.274	1.295	1.315	1.239	1.217	1.212	1.298	1.269	1.247	0.521		
	0.6	0.2	-0.4	1.5	-1.1	1.8	-1.9	-2.8	-2.6	-1.9	-1.2		
	0.308	1.105	1.212	1.296	1.322	1.253	1.301	1.249	1.194	1.090	0.305		.1
	-0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-1.1	-2.3	2.4	-3.9	-1.9	-1.2	1.2		J
		0.435	1.104	1.272	1.220	1.199	1.202	1.257	1.119	0.432		-	ĸ
		0.0	6.0	0.0	0.6	-3.5	-1.2	-1.1	1.5	-0.7			
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Measured Power Percent Difference (M-P)/P

Measured Location

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FIGURE 4							
INCORE Power Distribution - 99.6%							
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		ľ	0.320	0.547	(1.097)	1.118	1.087	0.544	0.326				в
		0.442	1.089	1.257	1.221	1.291	1.216	1.256	1.100	(0.451)			с
	0.323	1.091	1.191	(1.286)	1.325	1.285	1.323	1.278	1.195	1.090	0.326		D
	0.552	1.264	1.281	1.316	1.229	1.232	1.235	1.303	1.265	0.4 1.256	0.557		Е
0.318	1.102	1.221	0.4	1.239	1.200	-0.1 1.185	-0.6 1.193	-0.4	1.309	0.8 1.220	2.1	0.322	F
0.361	1.124	0.4	-0.5	1.226	0.0	0.0 1.246	- <u>0.6</u> 1.174	-0.7	-0.9 1.263	0.1	1.134	2.1 (0.369)	G
-0.3 (0.314)	1.092	0.2 (1.222	1.315	-0.6 1.216	- <u>0.5</u> 1.188	-0.6 1.171	-0.8 1.185	<u>-1.4</u> 1.219	-1.8 (1.305	<u>-0.8</u> 1.200	1.0 1.094	2.0 0.321	н
-0.4	0.1 0.544	0.2	-0.4 1.272	-0.8 (1.296	-1.0 1.227	•1.1 (1.218	- <u>1.2</u> 1.212	-1.8 1.286	- <u>1.4</u> 1.257	-1.4 (1.242	0.5 0.549	2.0	١
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Measured Power Percent Difference (M-P)/P

Measured Location

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CYCLE 29 STARTUP REPORT

CYCLE 29 STARTUP REPORT ROD DROP TIMES

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Kewaunee Power Station Cycle 29 Startup Report Rod Drop Times

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RCCA Bank and Group	RCCA Core Location	Time from Start to Dash Pot (seconds)				
	F-2	1.271				
Control Bonk A1	B-8	1.310				
	H-12	1.286				
	L-6	1.310				
	B-6	1.245				
Control Bonk A2	F-12	1.272				
CONTO BAIK AZ	L-8	1.239				
	H-2	1.278				
	F-6	1.305				
Control Bonk B1	F-8	1.317				
	H-8	1.297				
	H-6	1.311				
	C-7	1.316				
Control Bonk D1	G-11	1.235				
	K-7	1.305				
	G-3	1.256				
Shutdown Bonk A1	E-3	1.299				
Shuldown Bank AT	I-11	1.312				
Chutdown Bonk A2	C-9	1.348				
Shuldown Bank Az	K-5	1.348				
	C-5	1.266				
Chutdown Bonk B1	E-11	1.272				
Shuldown Bank BT	K-9	1.234				
	I-3	1.307				
Control Book C1	D-10	1.281				
	J-4	1.288				
	D-4	1.259				
Control Bank C2	G-7	1.359				
	J-10	1.281				

Note: All rods met rod drop time criterion of no greater than 1.8 seconds.